

LOWELL SCHOOL COMMITTEE

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Date: March 27, 2020

Time: 6:00PM

Location: Virtual Meeting Join Zoom Meeting

https://zoom.us/j/527081216 Meeting ID: 527 081 216

This meeting is being held remotely in accordance with the Governor of Massachusetts' March 12, 2020 order suspending certain provisions of the Open Meeting Law G.L. 30A, Section 20.

1. SALUTE TO FLAG

2. ROLL CALL

On a roll call at 6:09 p.m., all members were present, namely: Ms. Martin, Ms. Clark, Mr. Descoteaux, Mr. Dillon, Ms. Doherty, Mr. Hoey and Mayor Leahy.

3. SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS

3.1. An Executive Session May Be Called To Discuss Collective Bargaining, Strategies and/or Possible Litigation Under Open Meeting Law, Chapter 30A, Section 21 (A) (B), 2, 3 Of The Commonwealth Of Massachusetts General Laws. Open Meeting Discussion May Have A Detrimental Effect On The Bargaining Or Litigating Position Of The Public Body.

4. MOTIONS

4.1. [By Bob Hoey]: Superintendent to review with Solicitor the School Committee's authority to vote on paying transportation providers and other vendors when services could not be performed because of COVID-19 closure of schools.

Ms. Turner, Chief Financial Officer informed the Committee that she has a planned conference call with the State on Monday, March 30th and she will be receiving more information and will provide that to the Committee.

Mr. Hoey made a motion to approve; seconded by Ms. Doherty. 7 yeas APPROVED

4.2. [By Mayor John Leahy]: To authorize the Superintendent to donate Lowell school supplies that may be needed for Covid-19 response to Lowell fire department for distribution.

Mayor Leahey made a motion to approve; seconded Mr. Hoey. 7 yeas APPROVED



5. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Ms. Martin made a motion to recess at 6:18 p.m. and to enter into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing Collective Bargaining, Strategies and/or Possible Litigation under Open Meeting Law, Chapter 30A, Section 21 (A) (B), 2, 3 of the Commonwealth Of Massachusetts General Laws related to: Consideration, Discussion, and Action on MOA - LSAA work at home during school closure, Consideration, Discussion, and Action on MOA - UTL work at home during school closure and Consideration, Discussion, and Action on MOA - Cafeteria work during COVID-19 closure of which open meeting discussion may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining or litigating position of the public body, and to adjourn from Executive Session; seconded by Mr. Hoey. 7 yeas APPROVED

5.1. Items:

- 1. Consideration, Discussion, and Action on MOA LSAA work at home during school closure
- 2. Consideration, Discussion, and Action on MOA UTL work at home during school closure
- 3. Consideration, Discussion, and Action on MOA Cafeteria work during COVID-19 closure



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Ms. Martin made a motion to recess at 6:18 p.m.; seconded by Mr. Hoey. 7 yeas APPROVED

Respectfully submitted,

Joel D. Boyd, Ed.D., Superintendent and Secretary to the Lowell School Committee

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